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14-13 Colorado Springs Data Center Audit

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Purpose

The purpose of this review was to evaluate the internal control environment related to security and availability of the computing equipment housed within the City's data center.

Conclusion

We concluded the internal control environment related to the City's data center needed to be improved. We observed seven (7) issues that were discussed with City Department of Information Technology (DoIT) management. DoIT management has agreed to address these issues. We will follow up on management's actions in future reports. Audit efforts were ended before all planned audit steps were completed because the Information Technology Strategic Plan published by DoIT called for major changes related to the data center.

Our audit reviewed the specialized details of security arrangements in place for the data center. We are not including details concerning any identified vulnerabilities (or strengths) related to the security of those City facilities/functions. Disclosure of this information to the public would be contrary to the public interest in improving or maintaining secure information technology systems for the City. Many of the issues may be addressed as DoIT progresses through the implementation of the Information Technology Strategic Plan. The details of this audit are not required to be released to the public per C.R.S. § 24-72-204(2)(a)(VIII)(A).

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Denny L. Nester".

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Management Response

Management was in agreement with the issues identified. Management has identified action plans to address each issue appropriately within a reasonable amount of time.

This audit was conducted in conformance with the International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing, a part of the Professional Practices Framework promulgated by the Institute of Internal Auditors.